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HONGKONG, JANUARY 1st, 1909.An old and half forgotten poet once  
welcomed a New Year with lines like  
these:—Plague on't; the last was ill enough—  
This cannot but make better proof;  
Or, at the worst, as we brushed through  
The last, why, so we may this too.Nine business men out of ten, these last  
three years, have probably had similar  
sentiments at the dawning of the years,  
but on the present occasion the signs and  
portents are rather more encouraging, and  
give justification for greater cheerfulness  
and hope. In the Review of the Trade  
of the Colony for the year 1908, which we  
publish to-day, in accordance with our  
annual custom, may be discerned a tone of  
quiet optimism and confidence in many  
branches of business and the impression  
that this collection of reports leaves upon  
the mind is like the cloud of depression,  
which has hung like a pall over commercial  
operations for three years now, is slowly  
lifting. The steady recovery of the United  
States from the great financial crisis which  
overwhelmed it in 1907 will re-act on the  
China trade. A gradual return to a normal  
basis has recently been noted everywhere  
in the United States. Orders reaching the  
industrial centres are reported to be steadily  
increasing; confidence in the future is  
returning and the country is described as  
more rapidly than ever before after a period  
of depression. The Bank clearings show  
this. In England and on the Continent ofEurope the prospects at present are not so  
bright, but there are not wanting indica-  
tions of a revival of trade.In taking stock of things political the  
outstanding events of the year in this part  
of the world have been the death of the Em-  
peror KWANG HSU, followed the next day by  
the demise of the aged Empress Dowager,  
and the appointment of Prince CHUN, the  
late Emperor's brother, as Regent during  
the minority of his infant son, who was  
proclaimed Emperor. Contrary to general  
expectation, the new régime has been quietly  
inaugurated and the accession Edicts  
give promise of the development of those  
ideas of reform and progress which have been  
the theme of a multitude of Imperial Edicts  
during the past two years. The promise  
of a Constitution has not been lost sight  
of. It was repeated in the death-bed Edicts  
of the late ruler, and was endorsed in the  
Accession Edict of the new monarch. The  
next eight years will be a time of prepara-  
tion on the part of the nation to receive the  
promised gift. Nothing else of a very  
startling nature has occurred in China  
during the past year. The anti-opium  
movement, begun in 1907, has been contin-  
ued, but it is very difficult to judge of the  
progress made. Next month an Interna-  
tional Conference on this subject sits  
at Shanghai when we may hope to learn  
something authoritative as how far the  
Imperial Edicts enjoining the restriction of  
native cultivation of the poppy, and the sup-  
pression of opium smoking, have been obeyed.  
Another movement of perhaps a less  
general character has been the boycott of  
Japanese goods maintained by the Cantonese  
for more than half the year, by way of pro-  
testing against what they regarded as a high-  
handed action on the part of the Japanese  
Government in insisting on the release  
of the Japanese steamer seized near  
Macao by two Chinese gunboats on the  
ground that she was engaged in smuggling  
arms into China. That such a movement  
should have been allowed to grow up to  
defy and set at naught the act of the  
Government, is a comment on the weakness  
and inefficiency of the control exercised by  
the responsible authorities which requires  
no elaboration. That the boycott is now  
practically at an end is not due to any ex-  
pression on the part of the Government, but  
is attributed to the circumstance that the  
ultra-patriots have too much on their hands  
to give the matter that close attention  
which they have heretofore devoted to it.  
For the rest, China has now few unsettled  
disputes with foreign powers. With the  
exception of the small question of the  
delimitation of the boundaries of Macao,  
the only matters of importance remaining  
are the questions now under negotiation  
with the Japanese Minister at Peking and  
an early settlement of these is antici-  
pated. Good progress is being made with  
the construction of railways in China, and  
in many other ways signs of peaceful  
development and progress are to be noted.  
As to Japan the Emperor and his  
Government have given substantial proof  
of the peaceful aims of the nation in the  
drastic reductions which have been made in  
military expenditure; in the Imperial Re-  
script enjoining upon the people the develop-  
ment of the industries and commerce of  
the country; and finally in the exchange of  
Notes effected with the United States Gov-  
ernment giving additional assurance of  
peace in the Pacific.The general aspect of the year so far as  
the Colony of Hongkong is concerned calls  
for very few words. We need a return of  
prosperity very badly. The Budget showed a  
deficit of some \$400,000, and the anti-opium  
policy of the Home Government hangs like  
a Damocles' sword over the Colony threat-  
ening to lop off the chief source of its  
revenue. The most important legislative  
achievement has been the placing upon the  
statute book of the Amended Public  
Health and Buildings Ordinance which is  
the outcome of the Sanitary Commission.  
There has been a much lighter crime roll  
than in the preceding year, but 1908 will be  
noteworthy in police annals by reason of the  
fact that the Peace Preservation Ordinance  
had to be proclaimed in consequence of a  
riotous outbreak connected with the boycott  
of Japanese goods. The proclamation  
remained in force for two months and was  
only cancelled last week. It is satisfactory  
to record that good progress is being made  
with the railway and other public works in  
the Colony. A commencement has been  
made with the new typhoon shelter at  
Mongkoktsui, the cost being defrayed by  
the increased taxation of shipping. This  
reminds us of the typhoon of July 26th last  
which did enough damage to house property  
to give it title to rank among the notable  
events of 1908. The commencement of  
work at the Taikeo Dockyard and Engineer-  
ing Works and the completion of the NavalExtension Works are also to be noted. It  
has been a bad year for plague, the cases  
totalling 1,078, a total not exceeded since  
1908. Socially, the year has not been  
distinguished in any marked way, and on  
the whole it must be set down as a very  
dull year for the Colony, though not more  
so than its two or three immediate prede-  
cessors have been. May this one be  
infinitely better, for the Colony as a whole  
and for every individual member of it!The Captain and officers of the U.S.S. *Helena*  
have issued cards for an "At Home" on New  
Year's Day from 5 to 6 p.m.Yesterday a fatal case of plague was reported  
from Wanchai. This brings the total cases to  
the end of the year to 1,073.To-day being observed as a holiday there will  
be no issue of the *Hongkong Daily Press* to-  
morrow, but a Shipping Extra will be issued in  
which the latest telegrams will be published.At the Magistrate's yesterday Mr. J. H. Kemp  
dismissed the charge against a Chinese woman  
from Kowloon City of administering poison to  
her husband, an Indian.The officers of the Italian men-of-war in port  
were to have given a dance to residents on  
Monday night, but, owing to the news of the sad  
calamity in Italy this has been postponed.At the instance of Detective Sergeant  
Terrett, Mok Lai Chi, of 14, Lyndhurst  
Terrace, was charged before Mr. J. H. Kemp, at  
the Magistrate's, with selling a preparation con-  
taining strychnine and with not labelling  
bottles containing poison in English and  
Chinese. His Worship imposed a fine of \$10  
on each count.The many friends of Mr. Stuart J. Fuller,  
who for two years and a half has been American  
Vice-Consul-General at Hongkong, will be  
gratified to learn that a telegram has been  
received announcing that he passed his examina-  
tions in Washington recently, which puts him  
on the list eligible for appointment as full consul.  
Mr. Fuller arrives on the *Empress of Japan*  
due to-day after an absence of three and a half  
months, to resume his duties.

## THE NEW YEAR.

In the time honoured manner 1909 was  
 ushered in, the ships in the harbour with their  
whistles adding to the chorus of sounds on land.  
A watchnight service took place at the Union  
Church, Dr. Wilder addressing the meeting, and  
the Scottish community at Kowloon Dock  
celebrated the occasion with their usual dance.

## LADY LUGARD INDISPOSED.

We regret to learn that Lady Lugard has  
been confined to her bed since Wednesday  
through an attack of gastritis. On account of  
this all her Ladyship's engagements have been  
postponed.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## CRUELTY TO CHICKENS.

## AN APPEAL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG  
DAILY PRESS."]Hongkong, 31st December, 1908.  
DEAR SIR,—We wish to appeal through the  
local Press to all house-keepers in Hongkong,  
who have their chickens brought alive to their  
houses from the market or Dairy Farm.If ladies only realized when they write "one  
chicken" in their Comptoir book what  
suffering will almost certainly befall that  
wretched bird before it arrives at their houses,  
we feel sure that they would provide a proper  
basket for its transit.How often one sees a coolie carrying the usual  
market basket with a chicken, its legs tied,  
resting precariously on the lid or hanging, head  
downwards; and one shudders to think what  
must often happen to the chickens in the wild  
rush for seats in the Chinese portion of the tram,  
when basket is piled upon basket, and excited  
coolies fight for places.We, therefore, appeal in the interests of  
humanity, to all house-keepers to either have  
their chickens killed in the market or Dairy  
Farm, or else to provide a separate basket for  
their transit, and to insist upon its being used.

Yours faithfully,

H. MAY.

D. HASTINGS.

L. POLLOCK.

A HUNDRED THOUSAND DIVORCES  
WANTED."The Divorce Society" has just been formed  
for the purpose of promoting "the amendment  
of the marriage and divorce laws by extending  
the grounds upon which a dissolution of marriage  
may be obtained." The executive committee  
consists of Lord Haldon, Mr. E. S. Haines,  
Miss Margaret Dick, Mrs. W. Venables, and  
Mr. W. Johnson, with Mrs. Marion Latham, of  
Goschen Chambers, Henrietta Street, Strand,  
as hon. secretary. Its main objects are (1) to  
make the law as to marital misconduct the same  
for both sexes; (2) to make desertion for one  
year, cruelty, neglect, or incapacity to maintain  
a wife, or conviction of crime or infamous con-  
duct a sufficient ground for divorce; (3) that  
out of London jurisdiction in divorce suits  
should be conferred on county courts, appeals  
being reserved for the existing court; (4) that all  
children of divorced persons should be welfare of  
Chancery. Among other reforms advocated is  
one by which, where there are no children,  
husbands and wives should be enabled to petition  
jointly for a dissolution of marriage "upon such  
grounds as the Court may approve." In the  
prospectus of the society it is stated that "it is  
calculated that there are 100,000 married people  
who would be divorced if they had the means."

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

CALAMITY IN SOUTHERN  
ITALY.

LONDON, December 31st.

The town of Reggio in Calabria is  
sinking into the sea.The total number of deaths caused  
by the catastrophe is estimated at  
150,000.

Disease is spreading.

Their Majesties the King and Queen  
of Italy are actively assisting the  
sufferers.The earthquake is the worst on  
record.THE SNOWSTORM IN GREAT  
BRITAIN.

LONDON, December 31st.

A keen frost has followed the snow-  
storms.The Scotch Express was buried for  
twenty-eight hours.The temperature is the lowest that  
has been registered for fifty-one years.  
A thaw has set in.

## THE PRICE OF COAL.

LONDON, December 31st.

The price of coal has risen 4/- per  
ton.THE SAN FRANCISCO  
SCANDALS.

LONDON, December 31st.

Mr. Ruef has been found guilty  
of the charges, preferred against  
him, and sentenced to fourteen years'  
imprisonment.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## THE EARTHQUAKE IN SICILY.

LONDON, December 29th.

The earthquake was accompanied by a  
wave 30 feet high.Many were drowned at the coast to was  
and Messina, Reggio and Calabria are  
reported to be practically destroyed.The rumour that thousands have perished  
is not confirmed. All the telegraphs and  
telephones are broken.A naval division has started from Naples  
to Messina. The Captain of the frigate  
*Pasquino* perished at Messina.The shocks were of frightful intensity and  
the seismic apparatus throughout Italy has  
been broken.

LATER.

Messina is a mass of ruins. Refugees  
report that the Hotel Trineria, with the  
staff and ninety visitors, the town hall, the  
bourse, the post office, and the barracks are  
destroyed. Most of the villages on the  
coast of the Straits of Messina are in ruins.

## HEALTH IN THE BRITISH NAVY.

FURTHER IMPROVEMENT.

The statistical report on the health of the  
Navy for 1907, just issued as a blue book, states  
that there was a still further improvement on  
the satisfactory report for 1906, and the average  
loss of service for each person dropped to 10.46  
days. The following figures show the propor-  
tion of cases:—

Total force	108,740
Number of cases of illness and injury	75,351
Ratio per 1,000	69.24
This is a decrease of 85.23 per 1,000, compared with the average ratio of the last five years.	
The average number of men sick daily was 3,118.4, giving a ratio of 28.67 per 1,000, a decrease of 2.52 per 1,000 in comparison with the last five years' ratio. The total number of days' sickness on board and in hospital was 1,138,219, which represents the average loss of service of 10.46 for each person already mentioned. This is a decrease of 1.29 in com- parison with the average for the last five years.	
As in 1906 and 1906 the Channel Fleet shows the lowest, and the irregular list the highest, sick rate.	
The figures of illness from tubercular diseases compare with the average ratios for the last five years as follows:—	
Number of cases	86 per 1,000
Final invalidities	47 per 1,000
Deaths	22 per 1,000

There were also fewer cases of malarial fever,  
owing to a careful use of mosquito curtains  
and quinine.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued  
the following report:—On the 31st at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer  
has risen considerably over Japan and N. China.  
The depression is moving away over the  
Pacific to the N.E. of Japan, and a high pressure  
area now covers N. China.Gradients are steeper along the China coast,  
and strong monsoon will prevail in the Formosa  
Channel and the China Sea.Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending  
at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon  
to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	N.E. winds, fresh to strong; fair.
Formosa Channel	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between	Same as No. 1.
Hongkong and Lamooki	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between	Same as No. 1.
Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE PRIZE  
PRESENTATION.His Lordship the Rt. Rev. Bishop Lander  
presided at the annual prize distribution at  
St. Paul's College yesterday. There were also  
present the Rev. E. J. Barnett, the Rev. A. D.  
Stewart, the Rev. and Mrs. Bunbury, Mrs. F.  
H. May and a number of other ladies.After an opening hymn and a prayer, the  
Rev. A. J. BUNBURY read the annual report,  
from which the following extracts are taken:—The ninth year of work of the C. M. S.  
Training College has been marked by distinct  
progress both in the Boys' and in the Students'  
departments. It is hardly necessary to remind  
our friends that we have here classes of students  
—boys, the sons of Christian parents, who are  
given a general education and of whom the most  
suitable are selected as school-masters in our  
schools in China, and men of at least 20 years of  
age who are trained as catechists. The chief  
hindrances to our work have been, first the  
limited character of the buildings of St. Paul's  
College, and secondly, the repeated attacks of  
beri-beri, from which this year, as in earlier  
years, the College has suffered.The former difficulty, limited space, will be  
partly removed by an agreement between the  
Bishop of Victoria and the Church Missionary  
Society whereby the whole available room will  
be placed at the disposal of the College. The  
latter, beri-beri, is a complaint which yearly  
seems to increase in severity in South China.  
Not this College only, but other educational  
institutions in Canton, Wu-chow, and Swatow  
have suffered. Hitherto the complaint has defied  
investigation, and the report recently issued  
that the germ had probably been discovered will  
be welcomed by none more gladly than by the  
authorities of this College. To set against these  
difficulties we have the assistance of the Rev.  
A. D. Stewart, whose aid as Vice-Principal is  
most valuable. In the students' class the  
course of study has been two years, and has  
recently been raised to three. The four men  
who were drowned with the late Bishop Hoare  
would have completed their course had they  
lived, in January 1908. No men went out at  
that time but at the close of this year we have  
two students, one from Pakhoi, two from Shin-  
king, who, having completed their training, have  
been accepted by the Mission as catechists. The  
students' class has never been so large as this  
year. In addition to the two men just men-  
tioned, nine others entered in February last  
after examination, and on the recommendation  
of native or foreign clergy.Of the fifteen members of the Class who have  
been accepted by the Church Missionary Society  
for employment during the last seven years  
four have resigned, two have been removed by  
death (one during this year) and the remainder  
are still carrying on good and faithful work  
amid surroundings which often are far from  
easy.During the year the average number of boys  
in the schools was 60. Of these, twenty-four  
were in the Upper School and thirty-six in the  
Preparatory School in Kowloon City. The  
latter school is held in an old yamen, the  
property of the Colonial Government, who  
kindly allow us the use of it at a nominal rental  
on a repairing lease. During the year, 1908,  
good work has again been done by the  
little boys under the charge of Mr. Leung  
Kin Foon the head-master, and his assistant  
Mr. Li Po Sam. The health of the latter has  
prevented him performing his duties during  
the last few months and his place has been tem-  
porarily taken by Mr. Kwan Tak Yan. Each  
of those three young masters are old boys, and  
their work has shown that their interest in their  
old school has not flagged.At the beginning of the year this school was  
one of four schools which provided for the needs  
of the sons of our Christians; the others being  
held at Canton, Pakhoi, and Shin-king. (All  
the boys who entered the College this year had  
passed through one or other of these schools.)  
When the Rev. A. Hiff was removed by death  
in August last, it became impossible to continue  
that school, at least temporarily, and we received  
eight of the boys into the Kowloon  
School. Their knowledge of Scripture and  
English shows how faithful and thorough was  
Mr. Hiff's work among these little boys during  
the last months of his life, during which he  
devoted several hours each day to them.Progress has been steady in the Upper  
School, but studies suffered a severe setback  
when in the middle of May the outbreak of  
beri-beri rendered it necessary to evacuate for  
a time the College buildings. We did our best  
for the boys, and our thanks are especially due  
to the Headmasters of the Sai-ying-pun and  
Yau-ma-tai Government Schools for allowing  
boys whose homes were in Hongkong to com-  
plete the summer term in those schools. Mr.  
Stewart's commencement of work in the  
College has made possible more advanced teach-  
ing than in earlier years, when I was the only  
foreign master. It is probably known that in  
this school the medium of instruction is the  
Chinese language, and that English (in  
which a daily lesson is given to each class) is a  
'subject.' Much may be said for, and much  
against, the use of a foreign language as  
medium of instruction, but this at least appears  
certain, that a technical vocabulary is rapidly  
being created in Chinese by the labours of a  
multitude of teachers and writers both native  
and foreign, and that a complete acquaintance  
with English, though desirable, is not essential  
to the pursuit of knowledge. The new Govern-  
ment Schools in the Empire of China (of which  
Hongkong is not a part) employ the Chinese  
language only, while giving instruction in some  
European language (usually English) as a com-  
pulsory subject. Hence it was with deep in-  
terest that I was able to visit three secondary  
schools in Shin-king, and study their methods  
of work. As a result of these observations a  
few slight changes have been made in our course  
of studies at the College, in the direction of  
assimilation with these schools. In February  
last, two senior ladies completed their course  
and were appointed to assistant-masterships in  
preparatory schools. One resigned in the  
autumn: the other remains with us. Another  
boy, a visitor from the S. P. G. Mission in  
Borneo, stayed with us one year and is now a  
school-master in Kudat. As regards studies,  
the usual subjects have been taught, but more  
time has been devoted to history and map  
drawing than in previous years. In view too of  
the interest taken in the proposed constitution  
of China, I have on the Saturdays of the second  
half year given a series of lectures on the  
Parliament of England, as illustrating the  
gradual growth of our constitution.  
It may not be improper to say a word about  
the finances of the College. The students are  
supported by an annual grant from the Church  
Missionary Society, which is not available for  
the Boys' School, except for the salaries of the  
masters. The expenses of these schools are  
defrayed from two sources: school fees and the  
subscriptions of friends in Hongkong or in  
England. During the last year, the Boys' School  
was entirely free, by the advice of the  
late Bishop Hoare; in 1903 the sum of \$6 per  
annum was charged, (a nominal sum as the  
boys were boarders.) In 1906 the fees were  
raised to \$20 per annum, and this year to  
\$30 in the college, and \$25 in the Preparatory  
School. Experience seems to show that we have  
reached the limit of fees, as most of our Christians  
are poor, some very poor, and the boys have to  
become wage earners on their own account, or  
help their families, as soon as possible. Never-  
theless the sum received for fees in the Upper  
School increased from \$54 in 1903 to \$645 in  
1907. At the present time, of sixty boys in  
the two schools, only fourteen are supported in  
the sense of having school fees paid for them.  
These are supported by friends, who usually  
select one boy for temporary 'adoption.' No  
boy is supported from the general funds, nor is  
any boy clothed from those funds, for we are a  
School not a Home. At the same time the sum  
of \$30 paid by parents or supporters is only  
sufficient to feed boys during the ten months of  
the school year. Hence, for apparatus, and funds  
to provide for those other expenses necessarily  
involved in the efficient working of the school,  
we are bound to depend on subscriptions. In  
conclusion, we wish to express our thanks to the  
many helpers who have by their personal service,  
or their gifts, rendered this ninth year of the  
College successful:—to the Right Rev. the Bis-  
hop for presiding here to-day and for his gift of a  
Scripture Prize; to the Rev. Fok Tsing Shan,  
and Messrs. Tung, Leung, Li, Lin, Lui, (Lu,  
and Kwan, for their instruction during the  
whole or parts of the year; to Mrs. Bunbury and  
Miss Stewart for giving instruction in English  
to older boys; to Miss Starr for the weekly  
scripture class at the Kowloon School; to Mr.  
Chu Kwan Lam for gratuitous instruction in  
mathematics during several weeks in the spring;  
to Dr. Harston for his care of boys suffering  
from trachoma; to the authorities of the Alice  
Hospital, to whom, as in previous years,  
the College owes a debt of gratitude; to Messrs.  
Lazarus for the gift of spectacles in a case of  
defective sight; to Mr. W. L. Patterson for an  
English Prize (for which he has also examined);  
to friends in Clifton and Hongkong who have  
aided in the annual sale of work, and to  
many others, whose names appear as donors of  
books, and who have rendered the school its  
present quarters, while the thanks of both  
boys and masters in that school are due to Mr.  
Li Ping for having free of charge laid in  
concrete the whole floor of the large class room.  
Last, but not least, to the donors of tennis balls  
and bats, we again express our best thanks.  
Pastor Fok of St. Stephen's Church then  
addressed the boys in Chinese, and the Rev.  
Mr. BUNBURY gave a résumé of the address in  
English. The Pastor told the boys of the diffi-  
culties which might attend their desire to serve  
God. There were three types of difficulties, he  
said, the first being opposition, the second in-  
clination, and the third the question of the  
comparative emoluments which were obtained  
by native preachers and by those who did not  
do church work. Mr. Fok concluded by advis-  
ing the boys to look to the end when beset by  
any of these difficulties.  
His Lordship, BISHOP LANDER, then  
addressed the gathering. He stated that St.  
Paul's was one of the oldest institutions in  
the Colony. He had found in its archives  
mildewed statute documents dating back some  
60 years, when the college was founded by the  
liberality of a brother and sister. The object  
of the college primarily was the training of  
native clergy and Christian teachers for the  
propagation of the Gospel in China according  
to the doctrine of the Church of England.  
During its nearly 60 years of existence the  
college had passed through many vicissitudes,  
and through all its long history it was never  
more necessary and never more efficient  
than it is to-day. They should be thankful  
for the excellent report, and for the  
encouraging words of Pastor Fok. His  
Lordship desired to express his thanks and ap-  
preciation of the work of the Principal, the  
Vice-Principal and the staff. Long before he  
came here he heard from friends at home of the  
good qualities of the Principal and Vice-Prin-  
cipal. It pleased his Lordship to bear witness  
to the good conduct of the students. He lived  
side by side with them, and hardly knew there  
was a college near him. He emphasised the great  
importance of the work of training teachers,  
the people of China were becoming more and  
more educated every day, and educated people  
certainly necessitate educated clergy. Refer-  
ring to the question of emoluments which  
Pastor Fok mentioned, his Lordship said he  
would touch the other side of the question;  
Christians should pay their pastors and teachers  
better, and he hoped that the time would soon  
come when the clergy would be better paid. He  
congratulated the boys on their work for the  
last term. He was very pleased with the report  
of the scripture examination, and was pleased to  
hear that there had never before been such keen  
competition for the prizes.



The Bishop then distributed prizes to the following:—

Upper Schools:—Class Prizes—First—Tsang Sung; Second—Wan Tak Wai; Third—Lam Chak Yan. English Prizes (presented by W. L. Pottenden, Esq.) Upper (divided) Au Tin Shang and Lam Chak Yan. Second, Tong Sik Geography and Map drawing:—First—Wan Tak Wai, Second—Li Po Ching. The Bishop's Divinity Prize—Wong Heung Len.

Mr. Li Ping's Prize: Loh Tak Fak. Preparatory School (Kowloon City) Class Prizes: Upper—Hoh U Ming; Middle—Shom Wai On; Lower—Shom Wai Cheong. Prizes for Holy Scripture: Upper Class: Ho U Ming; Middle: Wong A Wan; Lower: Shom Wai On and Fang Sik Hang (equal).

Conduct Prizes: Upper Class: Kwong Cheong Hing; Middle: Lam Chak Hong; Lower: Chung Yan Lap.

The prize in the Student Catechists class was obtained by Mr. Loh Yan Hin.

#### KOWLOON DOCK DANCE

The staff of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, which is composed of a large Scottish element, gave another successful Hogmanay dance yesterday. This way of "bringing in the new year" is very popular, and last night's dance was even more enjoyable than its predecessors. That is saying a good deal, for these festive gatherings have a reputation for good humour and general enjoyment not shared by any other in the colony. Almost 300 took the floor, a fact which speaks volumes for the hospitality of the staff and for their reputation as entertainers.

While floral decorations, appropriate to the season, adorned the institute entrance and the corridors, the walls presented an unusually bright appearance under their draping of bunting, a work effectively undertaken by several bluejackets from H.M.S. Virago. The dancing hall looked brilliant, with festive of greenery suspended from the roof flags on the walls and shields bearing crests occupying the spaces between the windows. Conspicuous in the scheme of illumination was the Dock crest and the Scottish thistle, opposite, while stars and other formations added to the general effect. In the bar room there was another of Mr. Duncan's excellent paintings, on which a happy looking man who had evidently inebriated rather freely held out a hand to a pillar box with which he wished to shake hands. The supper room was also tastefully decorated, while the cloak room was made more beautiful by Mr. Duncan's picture of Edinburgh Castle. A good service of launches brought guests from Hongkong and about nine o'clock dancing was commenced to the music supplied by the band of the 13th Rajputs under Bandmaster Coke. The floor was perfect and added much to the pleasure of the evening. A programme of 20 dances, including several Scottish favourites, had been arranged, but, of course, one or two extras had to be given.

Shortly before midnight the company sat down to an elaborate supper, and attention was however diverted from the good things when the music of the band ceased and Bandmaster Coke by a skilful manipulation of bells "rang out the old year and rang in the new." On the stroke of twelve the lights which outlined the figures 1908 were switched off and showed 1909. Cordial greetings were expressed, and Mr. R. Mitchell, chief manager, who presided, voiced the pleasure of the staff in welcoming so many friends. Then it was "on with the dance," which was maintained with zest till nearly three o'clock. Messrs. Stewart and Crawford were assiduous in the discharge of their duties as M.C.s.

#### MASONIC.

At the annual meeting of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China held on Wednesday evening, Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough presided, and invested the following Officers for the ensuing year:—

District Grand Master—Wor. Bro. Sir C. F. Chester, G.M.G.  
Deputy District Grand Master—Wor. Bro. T. F. Hough.  
District Senior Grand Warden—Wor. Bro. W. J. Tutchet.  
District Junior Grand Warden—Wor. Bro. W. H. Wickham.  
District Grand Chaplain—Wor. Bro. E. A. Stanton.  
District Grand Treasurer—Wor. Bro. H. Sykes.  
District Grand Registrar—Wor. Bro. C. M. Longue.  
District Grand President Board of G. P.—Wor. Bro. B. B. Hayden.  
District Grand Secretary—Wor. Bro. A. O'D. Gordin.  
District Senior Grand Deacon—Wor. Bro. J. Moorhead.  
District Junior Grand Deacon—Wor. Bro. E. Wooley.  
District Grand Superintendent of Works—Wor. Bro. W. H. W. W.  
District Grand Director of Ceremonies—Wor. Bro. W. C. Dow.  
District Grand Assistant Pursuivant—Wor. Bro. W. J. S. Hough.  
District Grand Sword Bearer—Wor. Bro. P. H. Holyoak.  
District Grand Standard Bearer—Wor. Bro. J. N. Jones.  
District Grand Standard Bearer—Wor. Bro. H. L. Higge.  
District Grand Organist—Wor. Bro. C. F. G. Grimble.  
District Grand Pursuivant—Wor. Bro. W. E. L. L.  
District Grand Assistant Pursuivant—Wor. Bro. W. C. Saunders.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. J. W. Graham.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. J. Owen Hughes.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. F. Graham.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. W. Wolfe.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. J. Ross.  
District Grand Steward—Wor. Bro. F. P. Lachlan.

#### TRADE REVIEW 1908.

Below we give a retrospect of the trade of the year 1908 the data of which have been gathered from authoritative sources.

##### EXCHANGE.

During 1907 exchange has been fluctuating between 1/11 and 1s 8d. It was at its highest, 1/11 in the beginning of January, since when rates have been declining steadily during the year, with the usual temporary rises (mainly caused by speculation in India and China), down to 1s 8d. at the beginning of December, since then there has been a little recovery and the T/T rate stood on the 31st December, 1908 at 1s 8 3/4.

The main reason for the decline of silver we must attribute to the total absence of the Indian Government as a buyer, the trade balance having been against India nearly all the year. The Government had no reason to add more to their already large stocks and it is argued that little silver may be required for India for months to come. Besides there is the increase of the world's production by the opening up of the Cobalt mines in Canada. The *Statist* of July 6th, 1908, gave the following official returns for these mines since 1904 as follows:—

	Tons of Silver contents	oz.
1904.....	158	206,875
1905.....	2,144	2,451,356
1906.....	1,190	1,446,360
1906 first half.....	4,128	3,987,018
1906 second half.....	6,319	4,473,540
1907 first half.....	8,469	5,549,771

Whether the sharp decline in the price of silver will influence the working of these mines is, of course, another question, so far only the returns for January and February 1908 are to hand showing shipment of tons 2,500, against tons 1,880 during the same period in 1907. The lowest price of silver quoted during this year was 22d on December 3rd being only 1/2 higher than the lowest point ever touched.

##### COTTON AND YARN.

The fluctuations in India or America seem to have very little effect on our market here, which is entirely controlled by local conditions and the requirements of the country. The increasing importations of the low counts of Indian Yarn and the introduction of cheap Japanese cloth into the country have considerably checked the consumption of the raw material. Receipts during the period amount to 27,194 bales and sales aggregate 26,720 bales. A fair portion of the arrivals are supposed to be in fulfilment of contracts with the local mill, while a small quantity have been re-exported to Kobe on consignment, leaving about 500 bales in stocks here.

The commercial retrospect of the last year is chiefly remarkable for the numerous fluctuations and incessant decline in silver producing serious disturbances in commercial operations, great depreciation in many articles of produce, low prices and more or less heavy losses to importers. The result of the year's business has been far from satisfactory.

The Indian trade, so far as Hongkong is concerned, has materially advanced during the past twelve months. Imports amount to 210,275 bales as against 146,395 bales last year. Sales aggregate 151,243 bales as against 137,608 bales in 1907, showing an increase of 43 and 10 per cent. respectively. As the evil effects of the late crisis of 1906-07 are gradually disappearing, the country is in a better position to absorb imports, and demand from the consuming districts, despite natural and political disturbances, has been on a much larger scale and on the whole a comparatively good business has been put through. Importations during the first four months of the year met with some profit, and more or less covering prices were obtained; exchange kept steady and values appreciated 84 to 85 per cent. owing to brisk enquiry. In May a sudden drop of 5 to 6 points in exchange took place, no adequate advance in rates could be obtained and business was greatly checked in consequence. A brisk demand from the country then set in, but as silver continued to decline the advance in prices was not sufficient to allow much for the loss in exchange and all sufficient efforts to adjust them to the lower level of exchange proved unsuccessful. On the whole the year under review has been unremunerative to the trade. Except in the case of some best and favourite spinnings prices seldom reached the level of rates ruling in Bombay, and were it not for a little occasional assistance from Shanghai results would have been more unsatisfactory.

In the beginning of the year exchange stood at Rs. 143, and is now quoted at about Rs. 125, best spinnings of No. 10s were sold at Rs. 96 to 98, and are now quoted at Rs. 110 to 111; unsold stocks in January were estimated about Rs. 8,000 bales, and the market now closes almost lifeless with a trifling stock of 19,000 bales.

The past twelve months have been very successful to native dealers. Their proceedings have been marked by extreme caution and their purchases principally confined to actual requirements under country orders and without an outlet for their purchases no concession on the part of holders to effect sales could induce free buying.

The last year has been the fourth successive period of prosperity to the cotton mills in Bombay. The most noticeable feature of the trade has been the successful placing of the low counts of Bombay yarn on the English market.

##### PIECE GOODS.

The year just closed has shown some improvement over the two years immediately preceding, although the piece goods business generally can hardly be described as satisfactory. There has been a slight improvement on the part of

having been kept more nearly approximate to the demand from consuming districts. Stocks have therefore been light and clearances good. The improvement has been mostly felt in Fancy Goods, and would have been even more marked had not supplies of banknote and other cheap cargo found their way down here from Shanghai and the North.

Grey and White goods have not benefited so much as Fancies, but there were heavier stocks, to work off in these.

##### SUNDRIES.

The year 1908 may on the whole be said to have been a satisfactory one. True we have heard many grumblings about the bad times throughout the year, but nearly every one will admit that the trade has shown a considerable improvement on that of the year 1907.

During the year prices have come down at home for many articles, and a good business has been done in consequence. Cotton Goods, Hosiery, Umbrellas, Woollen Cord, Berlin Wool, Lams, Braid and Blankets, have all seen a remarkably low level of prices during the year, so much so that many of the Foreign hongs have been tempted to buy in anticipation for 1909 deliveries, and it remains to be seen whether their gambles will result favourably to themselves or not. The discount on Chinese coins, which was such a disturbing element in this class of business last year, has not been so heavy during the latter half of the year and dealers have benefited to a great extent.

The continued fall in exchange has since October prevented a lot of business being put through, but on the other hand dealers have been able to make a little money on some of their purchases made when exchange was good. Many native dealers, however, refuse to hold any cargo at all for a rise, and if they see a chance of selling without loss, they do, thus spoiling the market for others. One hears much about the guilds of the Chinese being able to regulate prices, but as far as the dealers in Sundries are concerned, this does not hold good, the competition being too keen. There have been only a few failures of native dealers in Hongkong and Canton this year, which may be considered satisfactory. The outlook for next year is not very promising as stocks in native hands seem heavy.

##### SILK.

At the beginning of the year the Silk market was dull and prices had a downward tendency. About the middle of January an improvement set in, but was of only short duration, prices having dropped by the end of February some 350 per picul. Stocks accumulating rapidly, dealers had to make further considerable concessions, and prices fell towards the middle of March, when values were from \$100 to \$150 per picul lower than at the beginning of the year. Demand from European markets now made itself felt and by the end of April prices had advanced \$80/\$90 per picul, a drop of 6 per cent. in exchange facilitating business. The market ruled steady during May and a fair turnover was done. During the early part of June demand slackened off but improved later, values advancing \$30/\$40 per picul in spite of a rise of about 5 per cent in exchange. During July prices rose a further \$40 to \$50, exchange dropping some 3 per cent. Steam flatures for mechanical weaving and coarse-sized flatures were most in demand. August and September saw small fluctuations in values as well as in exchange. October opened dull, prices losing from 1 per cent to 3 per cent; this was, however, followed by a steady improvement, chiefly due to the small crops and the further fall of 5 per cent in rates of exchange. Prices have experienced an advance of about \$100 per picul during the last three months of the year.

The seven crops of this season yielded about 34,000 bales against 50,000 bales of last year, but large stocks of old season's cocoons and silk having been carried over to the new season the deficit has been partly covered. The quality of the 1st and 2nd and 6th and 7th crops has been very good; the silk of the other crops was, however, rather dirty and not up to the requirements of mechanical weaving. No improvement has been made in the reeling of steam flatures and the export of native silk, owing to poor winding and irregularity of size, is falling off steadily, and threatens to stop completely in a few years, if means are not found to improve this kind of silk.

##### CASSIA.

Demand for this commodity ruled fairly good during the whole year and total exports of whole and broken Cassia are estimated at about 55,000 piculs. The market opened rather low and during April and May prices still further declined, a rumour having been circulated to the effect that the crop would yield considerably more than last year. Since the month of June however values have steadily advanced and have now reached a level which has not been seen for many years past. The report of a large crop was evidently an exaggerated one, the stocks now left being only very small. These are held at the present time by Chinese speculators, who look for still higher prices. Thanks to the efforts made by the Cassia Guild the quality has this season been slightly improved but still leaves much to be desired. In spite of the promises made by the Guild to remedy the old complaint of all foreign houses, viz shortage in weight, this trouble still continues. Business is now practically at a standstill, the prices asked being beyond reach of home markets.

##### MATTING.

The season opened rather late, i.e. in April, and the demand more than over favoured the Tungkun make, for which large orders were placed and which, as a consequence, fetched unusually high prices. The Lintan Matting during the greater part of the year were more or less neglected and concessions in prices were freely obtainable from manufacturers. However, towards the end of the period under review a good demand sprang up for the highest grade, viz. the 116 warps Matting, stocks of which in America were getting very low, only comparatively small contracts

having been placed at the commencement of the season. Although the lower exchange now ruling allows this class of Matting to come in under the low rate of duty at a considerably higher price, these paid for these late contracts are below the rates at the beginning of the season. Total export of Matting to the U.S.A. during 1908 is estimated at about 450,000 rolls. A good amount of business has been done in Mats and Carpets, the total export of which, principally to Europe, is estimated at about 60,000 rolls. Prices were anything but remunerative. Floods and typhoons were pretty frequent this year and large damage is reported from Lintan, where considerable quantities of straw have been destroyed by a recent conflagration.

##### METALS.

The expectation that values had reached their bottom by the end of 1907 has not been realised. Prices rather continued their downward course and have only latterly kept fairly steady. For some metals even an advance has to be recorded on the rates ruling in the beginning of 1908.

Generally speaking, business has been fairly satisfactory to both importers and native dealers, firstly because both acted cautiously, and secondly because the decline had not been very accentuated and was occasionally interrupted by a temporary recovery or steadiness.

With the heavy decline from the abnormally high rates ruling before the American crisis set in, prices have reached a level which may be considered fairly safe, and in many instances is lower than it has been for many years past. As usual, low prices act as a stimulant on consumptive demand, and the position being regarded with more confidence, the volume of business has rather increased in some lines.

Prices compare as follows:—

	30th Dec. 1907	30th Dec. 1908
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Silver.....	24 1/2	22 3/4
Quicksilver.....	8 4 0	8 9 0
Nailrods.....	6 15 0	6 0 0
Lead.....	15 5 0	14 2 6
Spelter.....	18 10 0	21 2 6
Copper.....	64 0 0	66 10 0
Yellow Metal.....	74	63

##### KEROSENE OIL, PETROLEUM AND BY-PRODUCTS.

The kerosene oil market for the year has been extremely strong, owing to the gradual drop in exchange, and the firm position at home. The delivery into consumption has increased for all brands, and lubricants have held their own, while there has been a material increase in wax, naphtha, and other by-products, over the preceding year.

##### FLOUR.

There has been practically no trade in Australian flour this year, and a generous estimate would not put the total at more than three thousand bags. Of course fair quantities have been finding their way to Shanghai and Singapore but nothing of any moment has been landed at Hongkong. Dealers however anticipate business as the result of the American freights having been put up to the level of Suez rates. The Australian crop has not turned out well, and the bumper harvest that was expected is not likely to be realised. The best price for Australian flour is £8 per ton c.i.f. which is equivalent to \$240 per quarter sack.

The market did not show the same activity as in the previous year. During the cake season there has been a considerable falling off, due principally to the fact that the crops in South China were fairly good and to the fact that high prices ruled on the other side, the low exchange causing a decline in the demand. The imports of flour from 1st January to 30th December amounted to 3,689,938 sacks of 50lbs each.

##### RICE.

As against the increase of twenty-five per cent recorded last year the shipments from Saigon show a falling off this year of about four million piculs. Up till 11th December the total export amounted to 12,545,615 of which 2,745,800 were consigned to Hongkong, 1,104,790 to Manila, 8,765,400 to Japan, 1,298,743 to Sourabaya, and 3,288,300 to Europe.

##### OPPIUM.

In accordance with the agreement between the British and Chinese Governments to reduce the export of Opium from India yearly, the Government of India sold at auction in 1908 46,800 chests against 50,400 chests in 1907. Fluctuations have been very heavy during the year, due to the decline in silver, and to the various attempts made by the Provincial Officials to place restrictions on the sale of raw opium contrary to the Treaties. Owing to the vigilance of the British Consular officials these attempts have been frustrated, but the temporary disorganization of trade and the feeling of uncertainty that prevails, has had its effect both on prices and consumption, and the result of the year's trading has not been satisfactory.

The restrictions above referred to take the form of various complicated and unwelcome systems of licensing sellers and buyers of raw drug, the establishment of a monopoly by limiting the number of dealers in same, and restricting the sale of raw opium to quantities not less than one whole ball of the drug. The highest price for Patna touched during the year was \$1,220 and the lowest \$920.

Malwa. The sale last year was limited to 15,100 chests and this quantity is to be reduced yearly by 10 per cent. The remarks regarding Bengal apply to this description also. Fluctuations have been more violent in Malwa: the highest price touched during the year was \$1,330 and the lowest \$900 for new drug of good quality.

Persian. The import of this drug into China is to participate in the reduction of 10 per cent. annually, the sale for next year being limited to 1,000 piculs. The highest price touched during the year was \$950, and the lowest \$830.

##### TONNAGE.

Last year was one of exceptional inactivity for the freight market in the East, low freights ruling all over the coast, while want of employment forced many steamers to lay up at various ports, notably Hongkong. To a certain degree, according to Messrs. Aagaard, Thoresen and

Co.'s annual report, the dull state of the freight markets in other parts of the world accounts for some of the old, and, for the coasting trade unsuitable steamers remaining here, owners apparently preferring to keep them out East as long as possible in the hope that things will again brighten. When our last review appeared the market was quiet, and early January brought a further depression and the usual listlessness. The approach of Chinese New Year further accentuated the bad state of the market, while the reports of abnormal rainfalls in Indo-China threatening the crops also had a deteriorating effect to some degree. At Saigon old crop cargo was getting scarce and rates to Hongkong dropped to eight cents per picul.

Coal freights remained idle, with very little inquiry, Haiphong to Canton being fixed to \$1.60 and Moji to Swatow at \$1.40. February opened quietly in all directions with the exception of Saigon to Hongkong where the inquiry was well maintained, and quite a number of boats were taken up at rates ranging from 14 to 16 cents per picul. To the Philippines, rates also improved a little, 25 to 28 cents being obtainable, and some fixtures were concluded at 24 and 25 cents to Java, while Saigon to Singapore in one instance was done on the basis of 16 cents per picul. During the first half of March rice freights from Saigon to Hongkong continued to be the mainstay of the market. The enquiry, however, gradually subsided owing to the fall in the price of that commodity here, and freight which had crawled up to 16 1/2 cents fell to 13 1/2 with scant enquiry. Chefoo and Yangtze river ports came in the market to Canton and many of the regular liners, which, owing to lack of cargo, had been thrown on the open market, again found employment in this direction, while the opening of Tientsin helped to improve matters. April, which in ordinary circumstances should have been one of the best months of the year, proved this year to be a discouraging exception to the rule. Coal freights, however, were well maintained, Moji to Swatow being done at \$2.15; Hongkong to Canton at \$1.80; and from Karatsu to Canton \$2.70 was paid, this latter being the highest rate paid for coal from Japan during the whole year. A small number of steamers found employment in the Saigon-Philippine trade in the early part of May. Freights, however, were weaker, in sympathy with the Saigon to Hongkong market where the inquiry was very limited, and where rates did not in any instance exceed 12 cents.

Idle tonnage began to accumulate in Hongkong, and the order of the day was to get North by hook or by crook, the Northern market, had as it was, being considered better than the one down here, especially as no improvement could be expected in any of the local trades. In the early part of June there was a considerable increase in the number of steamers laid up in Hongkong and during that month rates generally were on the decline. They improved very little in July, but large shipments of sugar to the United States materially helped to remove from the coast some of the large colliers which had come out with bunkers for the American fleet. August maintained its bad reputation as one of the dullest months in the year, and owners had a hard fight to secure employment. This general dullness continued during September and rates dropped still further. There was a slight improvement during the month of October by reason of the fact that a number of vessels found employment in the Wuhu-Swatow trade, owing to trouble having arisen between shippers and the regular lines, and several steamers which were laid up at Hongkong and other places went north to enter into this trade; but owing to the number of boats competing, rates did not reach a satisfactory level. The freights obtained in November left much to be desired, while there was a slight improvement in the market in December.

If no extraordinary events cause a rise in the markets during the coming year it is anticipated that freights, while slowly tending upward, will drag along in much the same unsatisfactory way as during the last two years. A better business is, however, expected in the Kowloon-Canton market.

##### COAL.

There has practically been no change between this year and 1907 in the Coal market except on contracts, which have shown a slight advance in prices. All principal consumers had their Coals contracted for and very few extra sales have been effected during the year under review. The following is a general review for the year:—  
Japanese Coals—About 850,000 tons reached Hongkong during the year, the quantity being about the same as 1907. The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, being the largest importers, contributed over 400,000 tons including those cargoes discharged at Canton. As mentioned in our last year's report, small steamers with full and or part cargoes are now going direct to Canton for discharge, thus saving the best hire between this and Canton. The Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kwaisha rank second in the list of importers, the quantity imported by them amounting to about 150,000 tons. They are suppliers to the Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Co., Canadian Pacific Railway and other Steamship Companies. The principal leading ports in Japan are Moji, Kuchino, Karatsu and Mororan, the latter port being the leading port for Yubari Lump Coal.  
Cardiff Coals—About 50,000 tons arrived here all of which was landed into godowns. Forty thousand tons came to the Admiralty. Small sales were effected ex godown and/or trimmed into bunkers.  
Australian Coals—The Messageries Maritimes Company, whose arrivals amounted to over 38,000 tons, imported the Coal for the use of their mail steamers. Other arrivals from Australia aggregate about 40,000 tons, a small portion of which was sold to Chinese; the bulk however was taken into consumption by the importers.  
Bengal Coal—There being no demand for this Coal, no local firm imported any into the Colony during the year for sale.

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Hongay Coal—Some 95,000 tons reached here by small steamers most of them proceeding to Canton with their cargoes.

Pulo Laut—Only a few small steamers of about 2,000 tons arrived during the year.

Tsingtau Coal—There is practically no demand for this coal, the list of arrivals being of no importance.

Touane Kelao and Haiphong Coals—Several small steamers with these coals arrived during the year all proceeding to Canton for the discharge of their cargoes.

Tairen Coal—During the middle of December the s.s. Shibetsu Maru arrived here with 4,000 tons of Buken Coal, this being a new coal from South Manchuria. The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha are the importers and the whole cargo was sold to Chinese.

#### TRADE AND COMMERCE.

##### A BOARD OF TRADE COMPARISON.

The Board of Trade last month published as a White Paper a comparison of foreign trade and commerce for the nine months ended September. According to this the German imports amounted to £300,651,000, Belgium to £100,662,000, French to £179,149,000, and British (United Kingdom) £378,064,000. As compared with the same period last year, of £220,000,000, Belgium showed a falling off of £3,500,000, American £64,000,000, and British £24,800,000. The domestic exports during the first nine months of the year were as follows:—Germany, £245,873,000, as against £249,473,000 for the same period last year; Belgium, £75,958,000, against £78,299,000; France, £155,335,000, as against £165,260,000; United States, £252,587,000, against £272,828,000; United Kingdom, £226,563,000, against £319,281,000.



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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## NOTICE.

MR. ERNST ARNDT, having retired from our Employment, CEASES to Sign our Firm per Procurement from this date.

ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [128]

## NOTICE.

I have This Day established myself under the name of

ARNOLD & Co.,  
with Offices at 38, Queen's Road Central and will carry on Business as General Importers.

ERNST ARNDT.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [129]

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. JOHANN THEODOR LAUTS in our Firm CEASES To-day.

LAUTS & HAESLOOP.  
Swatow, 31st December, 1908. [130]

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. ADOLF CARL SCHOMBURG and Mr. WILHELM WIEDERHOLD in our Firm CEASES on the 31st December, 1908.

Mr. CARL ROBERT LENZMANN has been Admitted a partner in our Firm from This Date.

CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
China, Japan, Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.  
Hamburg, New York. [131]

## NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility in our Firm of one of our PARTNERS, GEORGE RICHARD BRODEBEN, CEASES upon his death, which took place at Shanghai on the 2nd October last.

Mr. HANS AUGUST SIEBS and Mr. EUGEN SIEBERT have This Day been Admitted as Partners in our Firm.

SIEMSEN & Co.,  
Shanghai, Hongkong & China 1st January, 1909. [132]

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

MR. PERCY TESTER has been appointed LOCAL MANAGER of the above Company's HONGKONG BRANCH from This Date.

W. H. TRENCHARD DAVIS,  
Manager for China.  
Shanghai, 1st January, 1909. [133]

## SEND

Additions and Corrections for the "DIRECTORY AND CHRONICLE" TO-DAY.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [134]

## LADIES' DIRECTORY.

THE Publishers would be glad to receive ADDITIONS and CHANGES OF ADDRESS TO-DAY.

"DAILY PRESS" Office.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [135]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of Sale of the right of erecting and maintaining a TEMPORARY PIER over CROWN FORESHORE at end of First Street, Yau-mat, to be held at the Office of the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT by Order of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, on MONDAY, the 4th day of January, 1909, at 3 P.M., for a term of one year commencing from the 4th day of January, 1909. [136]

## PARTICULARS OF THE PIER.

No. of Lots.	Position.	Maximum Dimension.	Upset Price.
1	At end of First St., Yau-mat, Kowloon.	150 by 5'	\$200

For SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship "CATHERINE APCAR," Captain W. D. A. Thomas, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 5th January, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [171]

## DR. M. H. CHAUN.

THE latest Method of the AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

33, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.  
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.  
Hongkong, 17th April, 1907. [1261]

SIEN TING  
SURGEON DENTIST.  
No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.  
TERMS VERY MODERATE.  
Consultation Free.  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. [1327]

DAVID COESAR & SON'S  
MERCHANT NAVY  
NAVY BOILED  
LONG FLAX  
RELIANCE CROWN  
TARPAULING  
ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.  
Sole Agents.  
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## INTIMATIONS

## NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

IN Accordance with Government Notification No. 920, the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (FRIDAY) and TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 1st and 2nd January, 1909.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1908. [1703]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

## NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of PUBLIC BUSINESS TO-DAY (FRIDAY) and TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 1st and 2nd January, 1909 respectively.

By Order,  
A. E. LOWE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1908. [1714]

## NOTICE.

WE the Undersigned hereby beg to inform the Public that before any Agreement, Contract, Delivery Order, Receipt or other Important Document in connection with our Business can be Valid it must be Signed by Mr. Ho Jui and chopped with the chop of our Firm.

TONG SHING, Washermen,  
458, West Point, Hongkong.  
Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [1708]

## KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB.

TO-DAY (FRIDAY), JANUARY 1st, 1909.

UNDER the Distinguished Patronage of H.E. SIR F. J. D. LUGARD, K.C.M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

## FOURTH ANNUAL CHILDREN'S SPORTS KING'S PARK KOWLOON.

Children and Parents cordially invited. Lady LUGARD has kindly consented to distribute the Prizes.

FIRST RACE 215 P.M.  
Band of 105th Mahratta L.I.  
Hongkong, 29th December, 1908. [1706]

## ORIENTAL HOTEL.

THE Celebrated Band of S.M.S. "FUERST BISMARCK" has been specially engaged to play during and after dinner at the Oriental Hotel, 2, Queen's Road Central on New Year's Day, (FRIDAY), JANUARY 1st, 1909.

## DINNER MENU.

Celery, Green Olives, Radish.  
HOT D'ŒUVRES: Herring Salad.  
SOUP: Oyster.  
FISH: Boiled Carp and Horseradish Sauce.  
ENTREES: Lamb Chop Cutlets and Mint Sauce, Fillet of Beef and Butter Sauce, Trussed Australian Hare.  
CURRY: Roast Smoked and Apple Sauce, Roast Turkey and Cranberry Sauce.  
COLD MEATS: Shanghai-Corned Beef, Sour Goose in Jelly.  
SALAD: Asparagus.  
VEGETABLES: Boiled Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes, Cauliflower, Green Peas.  
ENTREMETS: Plum Pudding and Brandy Sauce, Mince Pie.  
CHRISTMAS CAKES: Strawberry Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.  
DESSERT: Cheese and Crackers. Fruit. Tea. Coffee.  
PROGRAMME OF MUSIC.  
March "In Treue Fest" Teiko  
Overture "Opera Martha" Flotow  
Serenade "Mondesheim" Moret  
Theme "Operette Fledermaus" Strauss  
Overture Opera "Die Puppe von Nürnberg" Adam  
Schauspiel "Frühling Einnam" Strauss  
Erinnerung an Tannhäuser Wagner  
Waltz "Walzertraum a. d. Gleichnamiger" Strauss  
March "Der Fuß Kommt" Eilenberg  
Waltz "Die Dollarprinzessin" Eilenberg  
If the Man in the Moon Fall  
God Save the King.  
Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [1710]

IRON GRIT, Round or Angular for Stone sawing, dressing and polishing. Also all other kinds of abrasives for stone working.

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GLASGOW, Scotland.  
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BY an OFFICER RESIDING at the Peak a DAY GOVERNESS to look after a Boy 4 years of age.

Reply stating nationality, age, and terms—  
MAJOR LAUDER,  
Army Pay Dept.  
Hongkong, 31st December 1908. [1718]

## FOR SALE.

WELL BRED POINTER, rising two, splendid nose, hard worker. Owner leaving for Europe shortly.

Apply—  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 30th December, 1908. [1709]

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CHINA EXPRESS CO.,  
3, DUNDRELL STREET.  
Hongkong, 28th December, 1908. [1050]

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RATTAN AND GRASS  
FURNITURE MAKER.  
CHAIRS, TABLES, SETTEES & LONG CHAIRS.  
BAMBOO BLINDS. MATTINGS in all colours on Sale.

All Orders receive Prompt attention—  
59A, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
HONGKONG.  
Hongkong, 20th February, 1908. [401]

## AUCTION

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

NEW KOWLOON FARM, LOT No. 2 AND NEW KOWLOON INLAND, LOT No. 6, situate at TAI PAT CHONG, KOWLOON TSI, having a total area of 102,363 Square Feet and held under Crown Leases for the residue of terms of 75 years (with a right of renewal) at a total annual Crown Rent of \$88 will be sold in one lot, by order of the Mortgagees, on THURSDAY, the 7th January, 1909, at 12 o'clock (Noon) at Mr. G. P. LAURENCE'S Sales Rooms, Duddell Street. Subject to a reserved price of \$2,000.

For particulars apply to the Auctioneer, or to  
Mr. H. K. HOLMES,  
Solicitor for the Vendor,  
54, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 31st December, 1908. [1715]

## FRENCH LESSONS.

FRENCH TAUGHT entirely by Conversation and without translation by a Frenchman (a Teacher in Government School) and ENGLISH LESSONS by an English Lady.

Apply by letter to—  
B. R.,  
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Hongkong, 13th November, 1908. [1371]

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HOOSAIN-ALI & Co.,  
No. 14, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [1651]

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All Asiatic Stamps. All Chinese Stamps.  
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Also Stamps in Packets and Sets at prices to suit everybody.  
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Inspection invited. GRACA & Co.  
[1373] No. 27, Des Voeux Road.

## COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LTD., have now 40,000 Cubic Feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Stores will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted, to receive and deliver perishable goods.

G. K. HAXTON, Manager.  
Hongkong 1st April, 1908. [43]

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25, DES VOEUX ROAD, CENTRAL.  
Hongkong, 27th November, 1908. [81]

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OFFICES and ROOMS on the 1st and 2nd Floors of No. 14, Des Voeux Road Central (formerly occupied by Messrs. SHEWAN TOMES & Co.)  
Apply to—  
THE COMPTON DEPARTMENT  
E. D. SASSOON & Co.,  
Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 10th June, 1908. [947]

## TO LET.

ROOMS in HOTEL MANSIONS, suitable for Offices or Chambers.  
Apply to—  
HENRY HUMPHREYS,  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 11th November, 1908. [1550]

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 5A, DUNDRELL STREET.  
Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [823]

## TO LET.

GODOWN in Wanchai 100 by 50, \$85 per month; also open air space adjoining 125 by 100.  
Apply to—  
Box 1012,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 11th December, 1908. [1655]

## TO LET.

HOUSE in Wong Nei Chong Road.  
A HOUSE in RIFON TERRACE.  
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"HATHERLEIGH," Conduit Road.  
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.  
GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, BLUE BUILDINGS and No. 16B, Des Voeux Road next to the Honkong Hotel.  
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE.  
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [86]

## TO LET.

ONE OFFICE ROOM, Third Floor, New Praya 2, Opposite Murray Pier.  
Apply to—  
SCHULDT & CO.  
Hongkong, 28th July, 1908. [1013]

## TO LET.

FROM 1st MAY.  
KOWLOON MARINE LOT 48, Yau-mat, Area 55,200 square feet and with 255 Feet Sea Frontage. Especially suited for Storage of Coal, Timber, &c.  
Apply to—  
HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 18th January, 1908. [221]

## TO LET.

NO. 52, CAINE ROAD.  
Apply to—  
SAM WANG CO., LTD.  
81, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 30th September, 1908. [190]

## TO LET.

2 BEACONSFIELD ARCADE, facing the Parade Ground.  
A 6-ROOMED HOUSE Furnished or Unfurnished at the Peak.  
No. 2, CAMERON VILLAS Furnished 61 Feet front of Des Voeux Road.  
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Hongkong, 24th December, 1908. [89]

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FROM 1st MARCH, 1909, a FURNISHED HOUSE at No. 1, Gough Hill, the Peak.  
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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 1st January, 1909. [1601]

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A BERTHOLWYN, PEAK ROAD, from 1st March next. Exceedingly Furnished. Hot and Cold Water laid on. Tennis Court and Swimming Bath.  
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Hongkong, 6th October, 1908. [1372]

## TO LET.

"CRAGSIDE," BAKER ROAD, PEAK, Furnished, from 17th March next.  
Tennis Court.  
Apply to—  
A. H. SKELTON,  
Lane, Crawford & Co.  
Hongkong, 23rd November, 1908. [1597]

## TO LET.

TO BE LET, a Portion of MARINE LOT No. 285 at NORTH POINT, Suitable for above Purpose. EXTENSIVE WATER FRONT. DEEP WATER.  
Also FOR SALE.  
Portions of MARINE LOTS Nos. 31 & 36 on PRAYA EAST. Approximate AREA 43,000 SQUARE FEET. 99 YEARS LEASE.  
For Particulars, apply to—  
GEO. FENWICK & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 8th June, 1906. [84]

## TO LET.

NO. 14, SHYLMOUR TERRACE. Possession from 1st January, 1909.  
Apply to—  
THE COMPTON DEPARTMENT,  
Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
St. George's Building.  
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1908. [1634]

## TO LET.

OFFICES in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS.  
Apply—  
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A. S. WATSON & Co., Limited.  
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1907. [91]

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Apply to—  
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Hongkong, 23rd July, 1908. [1342]

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Solicitors,  
8, Des Voeux Road Central.  
Hongkong, 6th November, 1908. [1536]

## TO LET.

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CHATER & MODY,  
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Hongkong, 19th October, 1908.

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The Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 21st July, 1908. [1019]

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THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

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Agents.  
Hongkong, 5th September, 1908. [114]

THE GLOBUS INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

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Hongkong, 13th August 1906. [23]

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DIE Bekanntmachungen aus dem deutschen Handelsregister, sowie andere gesetzlich vorgeschriebene Veröffentlichungen werden im Jahre 1909 durch den "OSTASIATISCHEN LLOYD" und die "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" erfolgen.

Kaiserlich DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.  
Swatow, den 17. December 1908. [1683]

BEKANNTMACHUNG  
DIE amtlichen Bekanntmachungen des Kaiserlich Deutschen Konsulats in Canton werden während des Jahres 1909 im "Ostasiatischen Lloyd" der "Canton Weekly News" und nach Bedarf auch in der "Hongkong Daily Press" veröffentlicht werden.

Kaiserlich DEUTSCHES KONSULAT.  
Canton, den 31. Dezember 1908. [1693]

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Hongkong, 7th August, 1908. [1716]

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 31st inst., at 11 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 28th December, 1908. [1701]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.  
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship  
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"Besides the ailments I have already spoken of," said Mrs. Atkins in conclusion, "I must mention that Clara showed marked symptoms of Kidney-Diarrhoea. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured her of these also."

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## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 31st December, 1908 say:—The recent Christmas and the approaching New Year holidays have somewhat disturbed the market, causing a slight tendency to weakness and a restriction of business. On the whole however rates have been fairly well maintained, the market closing steady at quotation in most cases. Exchanges on London close at 1/8 1/2 T.T. and on Shanghai at 1/3 1/2.

BAKERS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have changed hands at 84 1/2, closing with sellers at that rate. Nationals remain unchanged at 51, and without business.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have found buyers at 83 1/2 but close with sellers at that rate. North China have changed hands at 105 and close in further demand. Other stocks under this heading call for no remarks.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong continue steady at 325, and small sales have been effected at that rate. Chinese have ruled rather weaker and have declined to 105 with sales.

SHIPPING.—With the exception of sales of Douglas at 33, and of further buyers at that rate, we have nothing to report under this heading.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars remain on offer at 112 1/2 without any business to report. Lenzons have declined to 18, with sellers.

MINING.—Rauha have ruled weak, and without sales, the market at time of closing being 83 1/2.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa are still weak, and a few settlements shares have accentuated the weakness without leading to business. Shares could probably be obtained at the moment at something under our quotation. Kowloon Wharves continuing in demand have advanced to 45, with some few sales, and close with further buyers at that rate. In the absence of advices from Shanghai, owing to the holidays there, we leave last week's quotations unchanged, but they should be looked on as purely nominal.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—With the exceptions of Kowloon Lands, which have declined to 35 with sellers, and Hotels which have improved to 84 with buyers, we have nothing to report under this heading.

COTTON MILLS.—The latest written advices from the North show that all Cotton stocks have improved. Ewos to 76, Internationals to 67 1/2, Laon Kung Mows to 73, and Soy Chees to 285. Hongkong remain unchanged, with sellers at 10 and buyers at 9.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Providents have changed hands at the improved rate of 10 and more could be placed at that rate. Electric, Union Water Board, and Watsons are enquired for at quotations, but we have heard of no business in any of them. Ropes have found small buyers at 24, closing with sellers. Ices have declined to 220 without sales. We have nothing further to report under this heading.

## LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The six *Shimosa* arrived at New York on the 25th ult.  
The E. & A. str. *Eastern* from Sydney & Co. left Port Darwin on 31st ult. for Timor, Manila and this port.  
The I.G.M. str. *Manila* which left here on Friday the 4th ult., has arrived at Sydney Tuesday the 29th ult.  
The *Apoara* str. *Gregory* from Yokohama, Kobe and Moji left Moji on 30th ult. afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 4th inst. at daylight.

## LOCAL SPORT.

### CRICKET.

THE BUFFS V. MR. T. E. PEARCE'S XI.  
Played on the Hongkong Cricket Club's ground yesterday. Scores:—

THE BUFFS.	
Capt. Baird, o. Balderson, b. Garnett	100
Sgt. Dixon, b. Garnett	15
Lt. Anderson, o. Garnett, b. Peake	15
Lt. Studd, b. Peake	1
Lt. Innes, o. Pearce, b. Shields	21
Sgt. Kelly, o. Young, b. Shields	0
Lt. Sill, o. Balderson, b. Leppmann	0
Lt. Price, o. Shields, b. Peake	2
Sgt. Hills, o. Balderson, b. Garnett	2
Lt. Corp. Wade, not out	12
Lt. White, o. sub, b. Peake	22
Extras	10
Total	150

### LEAGUE CRICKET.

Two matches are set down for Saturday—Telegraphs v. R.E. and Kowloon v. Civil Service.

CRAGGOWGOWER C.C. V. MR. A. O. BROWN'S XI.  
This match will be played on the ground of the former Club on Saturday commencing at 2.15 p.m. The Craggower team will be composed of the following—L. E. Lamart (Capt.) G. A. Hancock, H. L. Manderson, R. Pestonji, R. Basa, J. D. Noria, A. Osman, J. W. Stewart, L.A. Ross and P. Curry.

### C.A.C.C. V. KOWLOON C.C.

The following will represent the Civil Service on the Kowloon ground at 2 p.m., on Saturday—R. O. Hutchison (Captain), P. R. Adams, F. A. Biden, L. E. Brett, A. Ellis, J. McEwen, H. R. Phelps, A. R. F. Raven, E. B. Reed, A. R. Sutherland and R. C. Witchell.

### H.K.C.C. V. UNITED SERVICES.

A return match will be played between the above teams to-day and Saturday, commencing on both days at 11 a.m. The following players will represent the Club—R. Hancock, H. Hancock, W. C. D. Turner, T. E. Pearce, A. E. Lanning, A. O. Lang, R. E. O. Bird, A. A. Claxton, C. E. Shields and A. P. Dashwood.

### OTHER MATCHES.

#### C.R.C.C. V. KOWLOON "A."

The following will represent the Civil Service on their ground at 2 p.m., on Saturday—A. E. Davey (captain), F. Sutton, A. G. Pile, A. M. Thornhill, E. H. Dawson, J. Mackay, F. E. Beach, H. Coombs, S. J. Taylor, C. Bond, A. Gipsen and H. S. Diggins.

### LEAGUE FOOTBALL.

Four fixtures will be played on Saturday and one to-day.

Friday—R.G.A. v. R. E. on the Military ground, Happy Valley, at 3.30 p.m.

Saturday—R. E. v. B.O.C. on the Military ground, Happy Valley, at 2.30. R.E. team: H. Power, Coxon and Beardmore; Lamb, McCrory and Edwards, Jackson, Sturdy, McGrove, Taylor & Drummond. B.O.C. team: K. Khan, H. J. White and A. Abbas, J. Chew Y. Abbas, T. Cordiere, G. Aguirre, S. S. Goedenberg, W. Wong, C. Remedios, B. Chunyut, Reserves: A. R. Ellis and S. Jox.

R.G.A. v. Lusitano, on the Military ground at 4 p.m.

Y.M.C.A. v. Buffs, at Causeway Bay, 4 p.m. Naval Yard v. R.A.M.C. at Causeway Bay, 3.30 p.m.

### LEAGUE TABLE.

The table now stands:—

	P.	W.	L.	D.	P.	Pts.
R.E.	4	3	0	1	15	3
Buffs	3	2	0	1	4	5
Y.M.C.A.	4	2	1	1	12	6
R.G.A.	3	2	1	0	18	1
Naval Yard	3	1	1	1	9	4
Lusitano	4	1	3	0	3	13
B.O.C.	4	1	3	0	3	16
R.A.M.C.	4	1	3	0	3	16
B.O.	3	0	3	0	1	20

Two points for a win, one for a draw.

### POLICE RIFLE SHOOTING.

The annual musketry competition of the local Police is nearing an end. There are now only a few men from the out-stations to fire off

and the shoot should be ended in a few weeks. The shooting has taken place on the King's Park Range, at Kowloon, competitors having seven shots standing at 100 yards; seven standing and seven kneeling at 20 yards; seven kneeling and seven lying at 330 yards, and seven lying at 400 yards. There is little doubt that Lance-Sergeant Pitt will carry off the much coveted prize—the marksmen's badge with crown. Out of a possible 168 he has registered the excellent score of 143, and his points far exceed those competitors who have fired, and places him in comparative safety from those who have yet to fire.

## WAGES AND COST OF LIVING IN JAPAN.

The average rate of wages continues to increase, reports the British Vice-consul at Yokohama, and indeed has taken a special step upwards. Taking the rates of wages in 1902 as the standard the average rate of wages for 38 classes of workmen in Yokohama had increased in 1905 16.95 per cent., and in 1907 35.26 per cent. Of the 38 classes only four showed a decrease on the figures for 1902, while as there were only six increases of 50 per cent. or over it will be seen that the increase is fairly well distributed over all classes. It must not be thought that the rates of wages for labourers is yet high compared with British standards, for it must be remembered that the standard of living in matters of food, clothing, &c., amongst the labouring classes in Japan is still very low. This fact, however, renders it improbable that there will be any reduction in the rates of wages, for the standard of living is constantly advancing, and it is more likely that wages will continue to increase.

Similar remarks apply to the cost of living generally. Taking 1902 as the index year, of 37 ordinary articles of food, clothing, household use, &c., the average cost of these had increased 21 per cent. in 1906 and 31.6 per cent. in 1907. The majority of these articles are of Japanese production, and it may be said that the cost of living for foreign residents, in view of the heavy import duties imposed on practically all the items which still have to be imported for their use, has increased to an even greater degree.

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1904.



## SHIPPING.

**ARRIVALS.**  
**AMIGO**, German str., 322 Franden, 31st Dec.  
 Haiphong, 27th and Haihow 29th Dec.  
 General—Jensen & Co.  
**BATOUN**, British str., 2,621, Stewart, 31st Dec.  
 —Pulo Sambo and Singapore 22nd Dec.  
 Case Oil—Asiatic Petroleum & Co.  
**CHOYANG**, British str., 1,424, Sandbach, 31st Dec.  
 —Shanghai and Swatow 30th Dec.  
 General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
**ESANG**, British str., 1,127, Meyerick, 31st Dec.  
 —Wellington 25th Dec., General—  
 Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
**GERMANIA**, German str., 31st Dec.—Canton.  
**HONG WAN I**, British str., 2,060, Kinghorn,  
 31st Dec.—Singapore 25th Dec., General—  
 Chinese.  
**MEERPOO**, Chinese str., 31st Dec.—Canton.  
**SIGNAL**, German str., 940, G. Schlaikier, 31st Dec.  
 —Haiphong and Haihow 30th Dec.,  
 General—Jensen & Co.  
**YOHOW**, British str., 1,306, Brown, 31st Dec.  
 —Shanghai 27th Dec., General—Butter-  
 field & Swire.

## CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.  
 31st December.  
**Amigo**, German str., for Haiphong.  
**Bandai Maru**, Japanese str., for Kobe.  
**Chongfa**, German str., for Bangkok.  
**Choyang**, British str., for Canton.  
**Germania**, German str., for Quinhon.  
**Haiching**, British str., for Swatow.  
**Hanoi**, French str., for K. C. Wan.  
**Haiching**, British str., for Samang.  
**Joan Maru**, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
**Leongang**, British str., for Manila.  
**Phetampai**, British str., for Saigon.  
**Saruga**, British str., for Fochow.  
**Tippang**, Dutch str., for Batavia.  
**Yehow**, British str., for Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

31st December.  
**CHOSHUN MARU**, Japanese str., for Swatow.  
**FOOSHING**, British str., for Shanghai.  
**HAIKING**, Norwegian str., for Wulu.  
**HANGCHOW**, British str., for Canton.  
**HANYANG**, British str., for Shanghai.  
**ICHANG**, British str., for Wulu.  
**LOCKSON**, German str., for Swatow.  
**P. E. FRIEDRICH**, German str., for Shanghai.  
**PRINZ WALDEMAR**, German str., for Sydney.  
**TAKASAKI MARU**, Japanese str., for Singapore.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Esang* reports: Moderate to fresh N.E. wind and fine weather.

## VESSELS IN DOCK.

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LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SIGLIA	Brit. str.	—	C. W. Watkins, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
LONDON & ANTWERP	GLORIAN	Brit. str.	—	Haughton	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	On 11th inst.
LONDON &c. VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL.	ASSAYE	Brit. str.	—	C. L. Daniel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 11th inst.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	QARNARVONSHIRE	Brit. str.	—	—	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	On 9th inst. at Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	DEN OF OGI	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	End of January.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ISTRIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	On 5th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	BARCELONA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	On 11th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	C. FRED. LARSEN	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	On 25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	On 28th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG VIA STRAITS, &c.	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	—	—	On 22nd Febr.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE & COPENHAGEN	SIAM	Dut. str.	—	—	—	On 27th Febr.
MARSEILLES &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	ERNEST SIMONS	Brit. str.	—	—	—	Beginning of January.
MARSEILLES & LONDON VIA BOMBAY	MACHONIA	Brit. str.	—	—	—	On 2nd March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	SAID MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 20th March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	KAMO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	—	On 6th inst. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 20th inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	About 27th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 13th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 10th March.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 25th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 18th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 16th inst. at 7 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 2nd March, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 14th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 19th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 31st inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 8th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 22nd inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 28th inst. at 5 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 18th Febr., at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 10th inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 4th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 13th inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 20th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	Quick despatch.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 3rd inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 3rd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	About 2nd inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 4th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	About 4th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	About 8th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 11th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 14th inst. at D'light
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	About 14th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 6th inst. at 8 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 8th inst. at 8 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 10th inst. at 8 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	To-day, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	To-morrow, at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th inst. at 3 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 9th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 12th inst. at 8 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 15th inst. at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	End of January.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 5th inst. at 3 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 8th inst. at 4 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 16th inst. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	On 3rd inst. at D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	PRINZ SIGISMUND	Ger. str.	—	—	—	Quick despatch.

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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN	"DERFFLINGER"	Wedday, 13th Jan. at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"LUTZOW"	About Thursday, 14th January.
MANILA, NEW GUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ SIGISMUND"	Thursday, 23th Jan., at 5 P.M.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	"BORNEO"	End of January.

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INVERIC	4,789	J. Boyd	On 14th January, 09
BOVERIC	4,445	Mathie	On 11th Febr., 09
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 FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN VIA SHANGHAI.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"ERNEST SIMONS"	About 4th January.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"POLYNESIE"	On 5th Jan., 1 P.M.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TONKIN"	On 18th Jan., P.M.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	"TONKIN"	On 19th Jan., 1 P.M.

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"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons. SATURDAY, 16th Jan.	5th Febr. 09
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	6,000 Tons. SATURDAY, 13th Febr.	5th March 09
"MONTEAGLE"	6,163 Tons. TUESDAY, 2nd March.	26th March 09
"EMPRESS OF INDIA"	6,000 Tons. SATURDAY, 13th March.	2nd April 09
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	6,000 Tons. SATURDAY, 10th April.	30th April 09
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LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, ANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	SICILIA Capt. C. H. Watkins, R.N.R.	4 p.m., 1st Jan.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NYANZA Capt. H. S. Bradshaw	About 2nd Jan.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI	DELHI Capt. J. D. Andrews, R.N.R.	About 8th Jan.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON via USUAL PORTS OF CALL	ASSAYE Capt. C. L. Daniel	Noon, 9th Jan.	See Special Advertisement.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SAMARANG and SOERABAYA	"HUICHOW"	On 3rd Jan., Dlight
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 5th Jan., 3 p.m.
MANILA	"TEAN"	On 12th Jan., 3 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNS- VILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, with Transhipment for TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, FREMANTLE and PERTH	"CHANGSHA"	On 31st Jan., 4 p.m.

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.

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SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
TAMUI VIA SWATOW	"JOSHIN MARU" Capt. Y. KANURAKI	SUNDAY, 3rd Jan., at 8 a.m.
ANPING VIA SWATOW	"SHOSHU MARU" Capt. ICHIKI	WEDNESDAY, 6th Jan., at 8 a.m.
TAMUI VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU" Capt. I. SAKURAI	SUNDAY, 10th Jan., at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FUOCHOW	"BUJUN MARU" Capt. Y. FUSENO	THURSDAY, 14th Jan., at Daylight

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T. ARIMA, Manager

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## INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"KWONGSANG"	Sunday, 3rd Jan., D'light
SHANGHAI	"WAISHING"	Monday, 4th Jan., Noon
SHANGHAI	"CHOYBANG"	Tuesday, 5th Jan., Noon
SINGAPORE & SAMARANG	"CHUNGSANG"	Friday, 8th Jan., 4 p.m.
MOJI & KOBE	"ONBANG"	Sunday, 10th Jan., D'light
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE & MOJI	"FOOKSANG"	Monday, 11th Jan., Noon
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG"	Friday, 15th Jan., Noon
MANILA	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 15th Jan., 4 p.m.

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FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE:	S.S. DEN OF OGI... 5th Jan. 09
S.S. ANDALUSIA ... 3rd Jan. 09	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SLAVONIA ... 17th Jan. 09	S.S. ISTRIA ... 11th Jan. 09
S.S. SAXONIA ... 27th Jan. 09	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
S.S. SPEZIA ... 8th Febr. 09	S.S. BARCELONA ... 25th Jan. 09
	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
	S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ 28th Jan. 09
	FOR HAVRE & HAMBURG:
	S.S. SLAVONIA ... 22nd Febr. 09
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.

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DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.

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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SADO MARU Capt. Geo. Anderson	6227	WEDNESDAY, 6th Jan., 09 at Daylight
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA	BINGO MARU Capt. A. Christensen	6247	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan., 09 at Daylight
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	S. SHINANO MARU Capt. K. Kawara	6383	TUESDAY, 5th Jan., 09 at Noon
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	S. TANGO MARU Capt. Wm. Thompson	7463	TUESDAY, 19th Jan., 09 at Noon
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	KUMANO MARU Capt. N. Mathieson	5076	FRIDAY, 22nd Jan., 09 at Noon
	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine	3817	FRIDAY, 19th Febr., 09 at Noon
	WAKAMITSU MARU Capt. T. Yamawaki	4421	MONDAY, 4th Jan., 09 at Daylight
	AWA MARU Capt. A. Kishi	6309	WEDNESDAY, 13th Jan., 09 at Daylight
	YAWATA MARU Capt. T. Sekine	3817	WEDNESDAY, 20th Jan., 09 at Noon

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T. KUSUMOTO,  
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1909.

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TJIMAH	JAVA	First half of Jan.	SHANGHAI	First half of Jan.
TJILWONG	JAPAN	First half of Jan.	JAVA	First half of Jan.
TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Jan.	JAPAN	Second half of Jan.
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